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SUBJ: VIRATA-MELCHOR VISIT

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1. RE EMBASSY'S QUESTION ON TAX TREATY, CAN CONFIRM THAT TREASURY'S POSITION WAS COORDINATED WITH DEPARTMENT. PHIL. LANGUAGE, WHILE APPARENTLY SIMILAR TO ASPECTS OF U.S. PRESENTATION IN JULY ECON. NEGOTIATIONS, WAS NOT REPETITION OF U.S. LANGUAGE. IT WAS CONCLUDED THAT THIS PASSAGE REQUIRED CAREFUL EXAMINATION, PARTICULARLY IN CONTEXT OF PHIL. POSITIONS AS THEY DEVELOP IN ECONOMIC TREATY NEGOTIATIONS. ON THIS BASIS U.S. RESERVED POSITION, GIVING NEITHER ACCEPTANCE NOR REJECTION. TREASURY NOW PREPARING NEW PROTOCOL TO TREATY, INCLUDING LANGUAGE TO LIMIT EXCEPTIONS PERMITTED ON NON-DISCRIMINATORY TREATMENT, CONFIDENTIAL

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AND TO ATTEMPT RESOLVE PROBLEMS IN TREATMENT OF AIRLINE

AND SHIPPING OPERATIONS. PROTOCOL WILL BE COORDINATED WITH STATE, BEFORE PRESENTATION DURING NEXT STAGE OF NEGOTIATIONS.

2. DEPARTMENT NOTES FURTHER THAT VIRATA IN MEETING WITH ALDRICH SAID TAX TREATY SHOULD FOLLOW TRADE NEGOTIATIONS, IMPLYING AT SAME TIME IT SHOULD PARALLEL NEGOTIATIONS ON "INVESTMENT" TREATY. (REF B)

3. DISUCSSION ON LAND, APART FROM THAT CITED REF B, WAS LIMITED TO REITERATION CUSTOMARY VIRATA POSITION, DURING ENDERS MEETING. ENDERS NOTED U.S. CONCERN WITH TERMS AVAILABLE TO AMERICAN OWNERS BUT OTHERWISE DID NOT PURSUE. FORESHORE LEASES NOT MENTIONED. MEMCON POUCHED. KISSINGER

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